

## General Assembly

Raised Bill No. 1296

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Referred to Committee on Insurance and Real Estate

Introduced by: (INS)

## AN ACT CONCERNING PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY PREMIUM RELIEF FOR RESEARCH OBSTETRICIANS AND GYNECOLOGISTS WHO PROVIDE MEDICAID CARE IN ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) There is established a
- 2 Medical Malpractice Premium Relief Fund for the purpose of
- 3 providing professional liability insurance premium support for
- 4 obstetricians and gynecologists who practice in association with a
- 5 research department of a university in this state. Such obstetrician or
- 6 gynecologist shall be eligible for compensation if at least twenty-five
- 7 per cent of the patients served by the university, obstetrician or
- 8 gynecologist on an annual basis are Medicaid patients. No
- 9 compensation from such fund shall exceed \_\_\_\_ per cent of such
- 10 obstetrician's or gynecologist's premium in any calendar year.
- 11 (b) The fund shall be administered by the Insurance Commissioner.
- 12 Any obstetrician or gynecologist that meets the criteria set forth in
- 13 subsection (a) of this section may apply for compensation from the
- 14 fund on such form and in such manner as the commissioner prescribes.

- 15 (c) The commissioner shall adopt regulations, in accordance with 16 chapter 54 of the general statutes, to implement this section.
- 17 Sec. 2. (Effective July 1, 2005) (a) The sum of \_\_\_\_ dollars is
- 18 appropriated to the Insurance Department, from the General Fund, for
- 19 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, for the purpose of providing
- 20 compensation pursuant to the Medical Malpractice Premium Relief
- 21 Fund established in section 1 of this act.
- 22 (b) The sum of \_\_\_\_ dollars is appropriated to the Insurance
- 23 Department, from the General Fund, for the fiscal year ending June 30,
- 24 2007, for the purpose of providing compensation pursuant to the
- 25 Medical Malpractice Premium Relief Fund established in section 1 of
- 26 this act.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following		
sections:		
Section 1	from passage	New section
Sec. 2	July 1, 2005	New section

## Statement of Purpose:

To provide professional liability premium relief for obstetricians and gynecologists in academic departments with research programs when the obstetricians and gynecologists provide at least twenty-five per cent of their care to Medicaid patients.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]